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**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Updates COVID-19 Vaccination Guidance**

On February 11, 2022, the CDC updated its guidance for COVID-19 vaccination to help eliminate confusion related to COVID-19 vaccine recommendations for those with moderate to severe immunocompromise and ensure that people are better protected from the potential severe consequences of COVID-19.

**For people who are moderately or severely immunocompromised:**

An update that people who have completed a primary series of an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) are recommended to receive an mRNA booster dose 3 months (instead of 5 months) after the last primary dose.

An update that people who have received a single Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine should receive one additional dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine and one booster dose (preferably mRNA) for a total of 3 vaccine doses.

A clarification of a current recommendation to confirm that those who have completed their primary series of 3 mRNA doses should receive an mRNA vaccine booster dose—to make a total of 4 doses.

**For those who previously received passive COVID-19 antibody products:**

Updated existing guidance to eliminate the previous delay. Persons treated with monoclonal antibodies or convalescent plasma do not need to wait for any period prior to COVID-19 vaccination.

**Please visit the link below for complete information on recommendations from the CDC:**  
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/index.html>